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Attached is a request to OMB to exempt the Agency from the furniture moratorium. The Office of Logistics has cited some specific cases which illustrate some of the effects that the moratorium is having on our ability to respond to Agency requirements.

You will note that we indicate that waiver, if granted, will be used judiciously.

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Att

The Director

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The Honorable James T. McIntyre, Jr.
Director
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Jim:

We have been advised by the General Services Administration that the Office of Management and Budget has extended the furniture moratorium through fiscal year 1980, with the exception of proven cases involving health and safety. Let me say that this Agency supports executive and congressional efforts to reduce costly furniture expenditures; however, we have found that this extended action is preventing us from purchasing items which we deem necessary in support of effective Agency operations.

To cite several specific cases:

a. We have been unable to produce day gates needed for our vaulted communications centers at some of our Middle East field stations.

b. We are establishing a [redacted] Furniture is needed to equip the house which will serve as both office and living quarters. Our personnel are scheduled to arrive in [redacted] in mid-September.

c. A Chief of Station recently assigned overseas has been unable to obtain furniture for his home because of the moratorium.

d. Our Office of Information Services is in dire need of Conserv-a-files to be used for the processing and storage of the voluminous materials generated as a result of requests placed on the Agency for information under the Freedom of Information and Privacy Acts.